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Dear Ms. Hartzell and Mr. Jankauskas:

SUBJECT: BROOKHAVEN NATIONAL LABORATORY (BNL) INTERAGENCY

AGREEMENT (IAG): 2020 ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING REPORT

CURRENT AND FORMER LANDFILL AREAS

Attached please find a copy of the subject document for your review, comment, and approval. The following outlines the key points of the report.

Current Landfill:

- Landfill gasses are not migrating to any buildings.
- Elevated levels chloroethane, 1,1-dichloroethane and benzene continue to be detected downgradient of the landfill. These concentrations are naturally attenuating and are not detected at the site boundary above the drinking water standard.
- There have been no detections of radionuclides above the drinking water standards since 1998.

Former Landfill:

- Landfill gasses were not detected.
- The Former Landfill groundwater monitoring data collected during the previous two
 decades indicate groundwater impact is essentially nonexistent. With the current and
 historical groundwater monitoring data as evidence, it is proposed that groundwater
 monitoring of the Former Landfill monitoring well network be discontinued.

If you have any questions please contact Jerry Granzen, of my staff, at (631) 344-4089. We plan to brief you on the conclusions of this report during the April IAG teleconference.

Sincerely,

Robert P. Gordon Site Manager

Attachment: 2020 Landfill Report

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